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# CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH



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Tahoe National Forest - Truckee Ranger District 10811 Stockrest Springs Road Truckee, CA 96161

Attention: Mary Westmoreland - Permit Administrator

Subject: Public Water System No. 4600068 - Citation No. 01-02-13C-016-4600068-22

August 2013 Exceedance of the Bacteriological Maximum Contaminant Level

Enclosed is a citation issued to the Tahoe National Forest Logger Stampede Recreational Center (Recreational Center). The citation is being issued because the Recreational Center failed to comply with the drinking water standard for total coliform bacteria during the month of August 2013. Please be aware that the Directives section of the citation contains required actions that must be taken by the Recreational Center to return to compliance.

Note that Section 116577 of the California Safe Drinking Water Act provides for our Department to be reimbursed by the public water system for costs incurred for preparing and issuing a citation to that system. In accordance with Section 116577, the Recreational Center will be billed for the preparation and issuance of this citation. Our current costs are approximately \$126 per hour. The estimated time to prepare the citation is one hour.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please call staff engineer Steve Watson at (530) 224-4828 or me at (530) 224-4800.

> Michael J. McNamara, P.E. Lassen District Engineer DRINKING WATER FIELD **OPERATIONS BRANCH**

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**Public Water System:** 

TNF - Logger & Stampede RC

Water System No.:

4600068

**To:** Tahoe National Forest – Truckee Ranger District

Attention: Mary Westmoreland, Permit Administrator

10811 Stockrest Springs Road

Truckee, CA 96161

Issued: October 21, 2013

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

## CITATION FOR NONCOMPLIANCE

With Title 22 California Code of Regulations
Section 64426.1(b)

Section 116650 of the California Health and Safety Code (CHSC) authorizes the issuance of a citation for failure to comply with a requirement of the California Safe Drinking Water Act (CHSC, Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, commencing with Section 116270), or any regulation, standard, permit, or order issued thereunder.

The Division of Drinking Water and Environmental Management of the California Department of Public Health (Department) hereby issues a citation to the Tahoe

National Forest Logger and Stampede Recreation Center (Recreation Center) for failure to comply with Section 64426.1(b), Title 22, of the California Code of Regulations (CCR).

# **APPLICABLE AUTHORITIES**

Section 116650 of the CHSC states in relevant part:

- (a) If the department determines that a public water system is in violation of this chapter or any regulation, permit, standard, citation, or order issued or adopted thereunder, the department may issue a citation to the public water system. The citation shall be served upon the public water system personally or by certified mail. Service shall be deemed effective as of the date of personal service or the date of receipt of the certified mail. If a person to whom a citation is directed refuses to accept delivery of the certified mail, the date of service shall be deemed to be the date of mailing.
- (b) Each citation shall be in writing and shall describe the nature of the violation or violations, including a reference to the statutory provision, standard, order, citation, permit, or regulation alleged to have been violated.
- (c) A citation may specify a date for elimination or correction of the condition constituting the violation.
- (d) A citation may include the assessment of a penalty as specified in subdivision (e).



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(e) The department may assess a penalty in an amount not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000) per day for each day that a violation occurred, and for each day that a violation continues to occur. A separate penalty may be assessed for each violation.

Section 64426.1(b), Title 22, of the CCR states in relevant part:

- (b) A public water system is in violation of the total coliform MCL [maximum contaminant level] when any of the following occurs:
  - (1) For a public water system which collects at least 40 samples per month, more than 5.0 percent of the samples collected during any month are total coliform-positive; or
  - (2) For a public water system which collects fewer than 40 samples per month, more than one sample collected during any month is total coliform-positive; or
  - (3) Any repeat sample is fecal coliform-positive or E. coli-positive; or
  - (4) Any repeat sample following a fecal coliform-positive or E. colipositive routine sample is total coliform-positive.

### STATEMENT OF FACTS

The Tahoe National Forest Logger and Stampede Recreation Center (Recreation Center) is located off Stampede Dam Road, approximately 15-miles northeast of



Truckee. It is typically open for public use during the months between May and November each year and is operated by California Land Management Services 2 Corporation (CLM), by contract with the Tahoe National Forest. The domestic water 3 system serves the Logger Campground, Emigrant Group Campground, the Vista 4 Overlook, the Captain Roberts Boat Ramp, and two RV Trailer Dump Stations. The 5 water system consists of one groundwater well equipped with a pitless adapter unit, and 30,000-gallon capacity concrete storage tank, and the distribution system. The 7 water system is classified as a transient noncommunity water system. As such, the 8 Recreation Center is required to collect one routine bacteriological sample during 9 each month it is open to the public. 10 12

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On August 5, 2013, the Recreation Center collected a routine sample from the distribution system that was found to contain total coliform bacteria. On August 7, 2013, five repeat samples were collected from the distribution system, three of which were found to contain total coliform bacteria. None of the samples that contained total coliform bacteria tested positive for E. coli. The Recreation Center then issued a boil water advisory, which informed visitors of the current steps that were being taken to resolve the situation. The wellhead and storage tank were inspected by CLM personnel and no obvious signs of contamination were found. The water system was then disinfected by dosing the storage tank with sodium hypochlorite and flushing this water through the distribution system. On August 12, 2013, five additional samples were collected from the distribution system. None of these samples were found to contain total coliform bacteria. The Recreation Center then rescinded the boil water advisory.

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# **DETERMINATIONS**

The Department has determined that the Recreation Center violated Section 64426.1(b)(2), Title 22, of the CCR, in that the Recreation Center exceeded the total coliform MCL during the month of August 2013.

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# **DIRECTIVES**

The Recreation Center is hereby directed to take the following actions:

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- 1. Comply with Section 64426.1, Title 22, of the CCR in all future monitoring
  - periods.

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- 2. Complete and return Attachment 'A' "Certification of Completion of Public
- Notification" form within 30 days of receiving this Citation. A copy of the notice
  - used to provide public notification shall be attached to the form.

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All documents required by this Citation to be submitted to the Department shall be

submitted to the following address:

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Michael J. McNamara, P. E.

Lassen District Engineer

**Drinking Water Field Operations** 

Division of Drinking Water and Environmental Management

Department of Public Health

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The Department reserves the right to make such modifications to this Citation, as it may deem necessary to protect public health and safety. Such modifications may be issued as amendments to this Citation and shall be effective upon issuance.

## **FURTHER ENFORCEMENT ACTION**

Division 104, Part 12, Chapter 4, (commencing with section 116270) of the California Health and Safety Code authorizes the Department to: issue additional citations with assessment of penalties if the Recreation Center continues to fail to correct a violation identified in a citation; take action to suspend or revoke a permit that has been issued to a public water system if the system has violated applicable law or regulations or has failed to comply with orders of the Department; and petition the superior court to take various enforcement measures against a public water system that has failed to comply with orders of the Department. The Department does not waive any further enforcement action by issuance of this Citation.

#### PARTIES BOUND

This Citation shall apply to and be binding upon the Recreation Center, its officers, directors, agents, employees, contractors, successors, and assignees.

SEVERABILITY

The directives of this Citation are severable, and the Recreation Center shall comply with each and every provision thereof notwithstanding the effectiveness of any other provision.

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Attachments:

District Engineer Lassen District

Michael J. McNamara, P.E.

Drinking Water Field Operations Branch

'A' Certification of Completion of Public Notification

# CERTIFICATION OF COMPLETION OF PUBLIC NOTIFICATION

This form when completed and returned to the Division of Drinking Water and Environmental Management (364 Knollcrest Drive, Suite 101, Redding, CA 96002 or fax to 530-224-4844), serves as certification that public notification to water users was completed as required by the California Water Quality and Monitoring Regulations. Completing public notification and providing the Department with certification is important. Failure to do so will result in additional hourly time charges to your water utility and may result in a formal enforcement action with monetary penalties.

Pı	ıblic Water System Name	TNF – Logger Stampede	∍ RC
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